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REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

POSITION OF TURKEY.

MR. LLOYD GEORGE'S STATEMENT EXPLAINED.

Paris, January 9. It is explained in British Delegation circles that Mr. Lloyd George's statement as regards Turkey, "that there must be a new keeper of the gate" should be interpreted literally as referring only to the guardianship and control of the gates of Turkey. The question as to what will be done with the Turks and what Power would be asked to have a mandate was still in suspense.

WAR CRIMINALS.

FRAMING A LIST.

Paris, January 9. Lord Birkenhead, the Lord Chancellor, and the Attorney General, have had a conference with French, Italian, and Belgian colleagues for the purpose of framing a list of war criminals whose surrender will be demanded. The subject is difficult, owing to the necessity of sifting conflicting evidence, and it is delicate, because no loophole must be given Germany to complain of injustice. The British Delegation may remain in Paris a fortnight.

ALLIED WARSHIPS AT ODESSA.

THE POPULATION REASSURED.

Paris, January 9. Six Allied warships have arrived at Odessa and their presence has reassured the population. It is probable that the town will be defended, if the Bolsheviks attack.

GERMAN CHARGE D'AFFAIRES FOR LONDON.

A HAMBURG SENATOR SUGGESTED.

Paris, January 9. It is understood that the Hamburg Senator, Herr Sthamer, will be the first German Charge D'Affaires in London, but a formal application in that connection has not yet been made.

U. S. TROOPS IN SIBERIA.

NOT TO BE WITHDRAWN YET.

Washington, January 10. It is officially announced that the American troops in Siberia will not be withdrawn until the Czech-Slovak soldiers there are repatriated. It will be several months before the Czech-Slovak troops can leave via Vladivostok.

EARLIER SPECIAL TELEGRAMS.

(From Our Own Correspondents.)

PASSPORTS FOR SINGAPORE.

Shanghai, January 14. At the Legislative Council next Monday a Bill is to be introduced prohibiting any person or persons entering or leaving the Colony by land, sea or air without producing a passport. This should have ceased on termination of the war but the new Ordinance says the operation of the regulations should not cease.

PAYMENT OF SHANGHAI TAXES.

Shanghai, January 14. A thousand committee men, representing street unions and commercial organisations passed a resolution early to-night in favour of payment of taxes.

TO-DAY'S CHINESE TELEGRAMS.

SIR JOHN JORDAN.

Shanghai, January 14. The British Minister, Sir John Jordan, will leave for Home at the end of this month. The President has fixed a date on which to entertain him at a farewell dinner.

THE LOAN QUESTION.

Shanghai, January 14. A Japanese financial representative has already arrived at Peking in connection with the question of the \$24,000,000 Loan. If the telegraphic reply from the Bank Group in London is in the negative, then Japan will advance the whole sum.

AN AMERICAN PROTEST.

Shanghai, January 14. The Americans belonging to the Y. M. C. A. in Foochow have requested their Consul to lodge a strong protest at the Japanese Consulate to the effect that they have been wrongfully accused in the investigations made by the Japanese Commissioner into the recent incident.

PEKING AND AVIATION.

Shanghai, January 14. The Communication and War Ministries have submitted a proposal to the Cabinet for the establishment of an aeroplane manufactory in Peking.

(Other Telegrams on Pages 2, and 3.)

FIRE ON A PRAYA.

A BIG BLAZE.

A big blaze was witnessed on the Central Praya this morning, when a fire broke out in the top floor of one of the houses in a four-storeyed block.

At about 10.20 o'clock, the alarm was sent to the Fire Brigade which quickly arrived on the scene. The fire occurred in house No. 59, the ground floor of which was used, together with the two adjoining ones, as store rooms by the Kwong Sang firm, ship chandlers.

The origin of the fire is not known, but it spread with a rapidity which in a short time involved the floor below. The flooring between these two storeys was devoured by the flames, but the firemen, with a plentiful supply of water from the harbour, succeeded in confining the fire to these two storeys. The flames were extinguished in about an hour.

The damage was not considerable, beyond the loss suffered by the inmates of the two flats involved, whilst the Kwong Sang firm sustained some damage to its stores through the vast quantity of water used by the Fire Brigade.

ANOTHER OUTBREAK.

Another fire broke out at 3.15 this morning in Wanchai, at No. 40 Queen's Road East. The fire originated on the ground floor, which was used as a medicine shop. The fire spread to the second and third floors and when it was at length extinguished by the Fire Brigade, the whole house was destroyed.

The damage amounted to \$5,000, half of which is covered by insurance with the Union Commercial Insurance Company.

DAY BY DAY.

Yesterday's health return shows one fatal case of puerperal fever (Chinese).

The B. A. T. are circulating an effective wall calendar advertising "Capstan" cigarettes and tobacco.

The typewritten meteorological reports exhibited by the Hongkong Observatory on Blake Pier and other stations state that the "humidity" of Hongkong was 55 per cent on December 24. Surely a gross exaggeration!—Shipping and Engineering.

At the Bankruptcy Court this morning, before Mr. Justice Gompertz, a receiving order was made against Chan Yuk-sun, trading as Ying Man. For the petitioning creditor Mr. C. F. Mason stated that the assets of the debtor were estimated at \$6,700 and the liabilities at \$24,000. His Lordship made the order subject to certain amendments in an affidavit that had been filed.

During the public examination in bankruptcy this morning of a Portuguese clerk, named, C. V. Carlos, who is a single man aged 25, it was stated that he first filed a petition in 1916. His liabilities were then about \$600, owed to money lenders. His indebtedness had occurred through sickness. He had also borrowed money to go to Macao where he had gambled trying to make more money to pay off his debts. He had paid \$15 a month to the Official Receiver, but was now only able to pay \$10.

A Portuguese clerk in the employ of the Union Insurance Company named H. I. Xavier was before Mr. Justice Gompertz in the Bankruptcy Court this morning, when he made application for his discharge from bankruptcy. The Official Receiver (Mr. J. D. Lloyd) stated that the debtor had been paying regular instalments and had now paid 53 per cent of his liabilities. His indebtedness was largely due to his having guaranteed his relations in some dealings with money lenders. As there was no objection to the application his Lordship granted it.

SAD NEWS.

DEATH OF MR. SIDNEY WRIGHT.

It is with very real regret that we have to place on record news of the death of Mr. Sidney H. Wright, formerly of the editorial staff of the *Hongkong Telegraph*, which occurred whilst he was serving with the Chinese Labour Corps in France.

Since his departure from the Colony in 1917, none of his numerous friends in Hongkong had heard directly from him, though it was learned from other sources that he had attained to the rank of Acting Captain in the Labour Corps and been placed in command of the 114th Company. That was all that was heard of him locally until some few weeks ago, when it was rumoured about town that he had died in France. We have made enquiries into this report and learn that it is all too true. It seems that death took place since the Armistice, whilst the deceased was in command of his Company, which was engaged on salvage work in the vicinity of Douai, Captain Wright being found dead one morning in a dug-out. His funeral was attended, amongst others, by Inspector Thompson, of the Hongkong Sanitary Department, who was at that time a commissioned officer attached to the 113th Company of the Labour Corps, which was located in the camp adjacent to that of the deceased's Company.

The late Mr. Wright first came to Hongkong early in 1912, when he joined the *Hongkong Telegraph*. He later went Home, but subsequently again came out and renewed his association with this paper. It was in 1917 that he volunteered for war service and was given a commission in the Labour Corps. During his stay in Hongkong, the deceased made a large circle of friends, amongst whom he was extremely popular by reason of his wide knowledge and marked strength of character. He was a clever and forceful writer and although he came into journalism late in life he had previously made some name for himself in literary circles by the writing of short stories, a number of popular works for Cassells and one or two novels. He was originally intended for the Church, having been prepared for admission into the Church of England, but just prior to his intended ordination he became a Roman Catholic. He was a well-educated, versatile man who had seen much of the world, and his experiences were of the greatest value to him in his literary career. He leaves a widow and two sons, one of whom held a Commission in the Army during the war.

His numerous friends in Hongkong, especially those who were associated with him in his professional life and in the Police Reserve, of which he was an enthusiastic member, will greatly mourn his death. He will long be remembered by them all as a man of many talents and of a most happy disposition.

CRICKET.

The following will represent the Club against Staff and Departments (League fixture) on Saturday, 17th instant, on the Club ground—T. E. Pearce (Capt.), C. Blaker, C. Brown, E. W. Day, D. E. Donnelly, R. A. Green, J. D. Humphreys, M. M. Maas, A. K. Mackenzie, E. J. R. Mitchell, and F. Sutton.

DON'T FORGET.

TO-DAY.

Theatre Royal—Russian Opera Co. present "Tosca"—8.15 p.m.
Coronet Theatre—5.15 and 9.15 p.m.
Victoria Theatre—9.15 p.m.

TO-MORROW.

Hongkong University—Conferring of Degrees.
Coronet Theatre—8.15 and 9.15 p.m.
Victoria Theatre—8.15 p.m.

OUR PEKING LETTER.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Peking, January 8.

The Chinese Government has made a very effective reply to the Diplomatic Body in the course of the discussion on the revised customs tariff. The new schedule which came into operation last August was considered by the Chinese Government to be in some respects unfavourable to China, notably inasmuch as it was held to apply equally well to goods coming from non-treaty countries. As China had been considering future relations with such nations and had contemplated a freedom of trade not enjoyed at present, particularly the elimination of extra-territoriality and the recognition of the principle of reciprocity, the Government thought that it was "entitled to benefit from the new conditions and framed what is known as the nationally adopted general tariff. The Diplomatic Body did not fall into with the views of the Chinese Government and contended that the consideration should be not country of origin, but the country whose nationals handled the goods. To this they added that the was no precedent in support of the argument of the Diplomatic Body. And there the discussion rests, with logic supporting the Chinese.

The boycott of Japanese goods is not yet ended despite the official orders against it. Why should the decrees of Peking be obeyed in this respect and disregarded in others? Officially Peking cannot countenance the boycott, and has issued orders which may or may not be observed, but it is tolerably certain that the people will not sustain the boycott without the spur of the students, who in Tientsin are making domiciliary visits and stamping Japanese goods in Chinese possession. When those stamped articles have been sold, fresh stocks may not be purchased. Japan's decision to withdraw her warship from Foochow would seem to indicate a recognition of the tactlessness which sent the cruiser to that port. Tokyo is anxious to let it be known that the withdrawal is a voluntary act on the part of Japan. But so was its dispatch. The

S.S. KAIFONG SALVED.

ARRIVES IN HONGKONG TO-DAY.

The s.s. Kaifong, of the China Navigation Company, which recently went aground on a reef off Haiphong, was towed into Port this morning by the tug Taikoo, in the charge of Captain Griffiths. The vessel is now at Taikoo Dock for repairs.

We learn that the salvage party succeeded in getting the vessel off the reef at high tide on January 7, and she was then taken round to the lee side of an island near by, where a diver effected sufficient repairs to enable the boat to be towed into Hongkong. The tug and steamer started on their journey up on Sunday last, the 11th inst.

The bottom of the vessel is badly damaged and a good deal of repair work will be necessary before the vessel is again fit to put to sea.

Chinese did not ask that it be sent; they asked that it be withdrawn. In this way Japan has offered a proof of her desire to cultivate friendly relations with China. It must be so because the Japanese themselves officially declare it.

The New Year was observed more generally than on any previous occasion. For three days the city wore a holiday aspect. Official buildings were decorated, shops were beflagged, and the streets were illuminated at night with red Chinese lanterns, giving a very striking effect by their ruler-like straightness.

On January 1, the amalgamation of the Peking-Hankow and the Peking-Suiyuan railways came into effect. A new timetable for the Southern line was brought into operation.

To-day the second Handley Page aeroplane made its first flights, all of which were successful and augur well for the official tests next week. All the six machines ordered by the Government are now in China.

Skating is now in full swing, and hockey practice has already commenced. The Peking Club is shaping well under the captaincy of D. R. Mackenzie, who is not unknown in Hongkong.

TO-DAY'S EXCHANGE.

The closing rate of the dollar, on demand, to-day was 5s. 11/4d.

THE WEATHER.

Forecast:—Fine. Barometer—30.18. Temperature 2 p.m.—60. Humidity 2 p.m.—43.

UNIVERSITY OF HONGKONG.

CONFERRING OF DEGREES.

On the occasion of the Congregation at the University tomorrow, tea will be served in the Old Union Common Room of the University Building from 4 till 5 p.m. At 5 p.m. a procession including the Honorary Graduate, the Members of the Court, Council, and Senate of the University will enter the Great Hall. Members in this procession will assemble and robe in the Pro-Vice-Chancellor's room at 4.45 p.m.

After His Excellency the Chancellor has taken his seat and declared the Congregation open, the University Anthem will be played by the band of the 2nd Battalion of the Wiltshires.

The Pro-Vice-Chancellor will then present for Honorary Degrees:

Sir Henry May, K.C.M.G. (In Absentia).

Hon. Mr. Claud Severn, C.M.G.

The Dean of the Faculty of Medicine will then present for the Degree of M.D., Mr. G. H. Thomas, M.B. B.S.

The Graduates in Medicine and Engineering will then be presented by the Deans of their Faculties.

The Dean of the Faculty of Engineering will then present Mr. J. M. Jack for the Degree of B.Sc. (War).

The Honorary Graduate will make a speech after which the Chancellor will declare the Congregation closed.

The procession will return to the Pro-Vice-Chancellor's room.

Visitors are requested to remain in their places until the procession has left the Great Hall.



HOME AGAIN.

(An American view of the Peace Treaty discussions in the States.)

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Paris, Jan. 12.—France yesterday proceeded to elect 240 Senators to replace two categories of members whose mandates have expired. The French Senate consists of 314 members, one third of whom are renewable every third year. The classes to be renewed were those whose mandates normally expired in January 1915, but were extended owing to the war, and those whose mandates expired in 1918. Then there were a few vacancies by death. The Senators are not chosen by popular vote, but by electoral colleges in each department, composed of delegates chosen by the Municipal Council of each commune in proportion to the population and of Deputies, Councillors, General and District Councillors. No political changing results from the vote. The Socialist party has presented many candidates, but only two are elected. M. Clemenceau was not a candidate. Nearly all the bearers of well-known political names are returned, among them is Antonin Dubost, President and Speaker of the Senate. A somewhat peculiar position is created by the unanimous election of M. Poincaré as Senator for the Meuse Department for M. Poincaré is still President of the Republic until 17th February. M. Pichon, Minister for Foreign Affairs, was re-elected by a large majority for the Jura Department, also M. Pams, Minister for the Interior, and M. Jeanneney, Under Secretary for State. The Ministers formerly not members of the Upper Chamber elected were M. Clavière (Minister for Transport), M. Noulens (Minister for Agriculture), and M. Henri Roy (Food Controller). Other notable elections were those of Canon Collin, the well-known Lorraine ecclesiastical dignitary, the director of the newspaper "Lorraine" of Metz, General Hirschauer Joannet, General Tausch, M. Ribot, M. Charles Darany (former Premier), Paul Dupuy, son of the former "Petit Parisien" director, and M. de Serres, former Minister for Foreign Affairs.

EARTHQUAKES NORTH OF VERACRUZ.

Mexico City, Jan. 9.—Fresh earthquakes have occurred north west of Veracruz, eight villages have been overwhelmed and an immense lake is now stretching over the devastated area. A new crater opened in a volcano at Orizaba where the hill split open and sulphur, fire and lava are being thrown long distances. Panic reigns at Cordoba and Orizaba. Experts believe that the reactivity of the supposed extinct volcano Sanmiquel, explains the new earthquakes. In the State of Puebla, which has been devastated, it is officially estimated there are 3,000 dead and scores of injured, who perished after the earthquake from starvation.

WILSON-BRYAN SPLIT.

New York, Jan. 8.—The split between Mr. Bryan and Mr. Wilson on the question of whether the League should be made an issue for the elections is discussed with intense interest, especially as regards its bearing on the Presidential election. Wilson's message does not hint at his intentions thereon. Bryan in opening his speech, said his hearers would not listen to him with the thought that they were listening to a candidate.

Washington, Jan. 8.—Senator Hitchcock has advocated an honourable compromise. Ex-Ambassador Gerard, who is a probable candidate for the United States Presidency has sent a message urging compromise.

LORD JELlicoe's TRIP.

Key West, Jan. 9.—Lord Jellicoe and Sir Arthur Borden have embarked on His Majesty's warship New Zealand for Havana.

WORLD'S RECORD BATTLESHIP.

London, Jan. 9.—H.M.S. Hood, the world's record warship, has left Clydebank for her trials.

FRENCH OFFICER'S ARREST.

Paris, Jan. 8.—It is authoritatively stated that General Gouraud's Chief of Staff will be liberated immediately.

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MOUTRIE'S.**SLEEPING SICKNESS.****AN INTERESTING
REVIEW.**

By possession and by mandate, the British Empire has an enlarged responsibility for the future of Africa, says the *Times*. In the present and in the near future, Africa will have more need of the outer world to assist in the development of her resources, and the outer world will have more need of her products. These changes will multiply the avenues of traffic by road, rail and steamer, and so will greatly increase the possible number of the victims of tropical diseases and the spread of these diseases from the areas to which they have been confined. Of these plagues, sleeping sickness is one of the most dangerous. For over a century it had been recognized as a specific disease, but attracted little attention until 1901. The opening of Uganda led to its introduction, probably by human carriers, from the Congo, and the mortality from it assumed vast proportions. It was found in 1903 that the carrier was a tsetse fly which lived only near water, and in 1907 the epidemic was checked by the removal of the natives from a two-mile zone bounding Lake Victoria. But although the attempt had been made to remove all the human reservoirs of the disease, some of the flies remained infective. Either many natives had broken the cordon, or there was a non-human reservoir.

Experiments made by Sir David Bruce in 1910 with captive antelopes showed that antelopes artificially infected by the fly could in turn give the trypanosomes, the protozoan parasites associated with the disease, to clean fly by which they were bitten. It had long ago been shown that the wild game of Zululand formed a permanent reservoir of the trypanosomes which, carried by tsetse to domestic animals, infected them with the fatal fly sickness or nagana disease. There was a strong case for the supposition that the wild animals of Africa were reservoirs of the trypanosome of sleeping sickness, and thus a menace to human life. Suddenly cases of sleeping sickness began to appear in Nyasaland and Rhodesia, and there was a natural alarm lest the fate of Uganda should be theirs. The great authority of Sir David Bruce supported the opinion that wild game should be exterminated in all regions near human habitation or trade routes. Lord Harcourt, then Colonial Secretary, appointed a strong Committee, under the chairmanship of Lord Desart, to sift the evidence and to make recommendations. The report, published in 1914, shortly before the war, summed up the facts as they were known, made specific recommendations, and suggested further research. The Committee held that Uganda sleeping sickness and Nyasaland sleeping sickness were distinct diseases, due to different trypanosomes, carried by different species of tsetse fly requiring different preventive measures. It appeared to be certain that man himself was the permanent reservoir of the Uganda disease whereas in the case of the Nyasaland form competent authorities were at variance. In the five years of war there must have been many changes in the distribution of the fly and of the diseases. It would be of great value were a competent authority now to traverse the whole region from the West Coast, through Central Africa to Uganda and down by Nyasaland to Rhodesia, to collect the facts and arrange for the correlation of research of preventive measures.

It is understood that Sir David Bruce, no longer on the active list as a surgeon-general, would be ready for such a task. There could be no better man. He is the leading figure in the investigation of sleeping sickness, and although his belief that wild game were the chief reservoir of the types of human sleeping sickness was not accepted as proved by the Committee, there would be universal confidence in the integrity and competence of his observation. It is urged the Colonial Office take the necessary steps.

COMING TO CHINA.

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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT.

Mr. and Mrs. F. X. P. da Silva and family beg to tender their thanks to friends and relations for their kind expressions of sympathy in their recent sad bereavement and for the beautiful floral tributes.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, JANUARY 15, 1920.

IS IT A LASTING PEACE?

The formal ratification of the Peace Treaty, by which the state of war between the Allies and Germany comes to an end, is an occurrence of historic significance and high importance. It was in November, 1918, that hostilities ceased and the Armistice came into operation. An Armistice, however, does not end a state of war, and it has taken the whole of the intervening period to arrive at a settlement adequate to the complexity and importance of the problems involved. This has been a laborious task, calling for high statesmanship and not a little patience. The whole world rejoices that at length peace has crowned the efforts of those on whom this great work of adjustment has devolved. So far as Britain is concerned, His Majesty the King summed up the nation's feelings when he replied to a message from the citizens of London in these words: "With all my heart I reciprocate their hopes and fervently pray that, please God, this day may be the dawn of a new era in which the people of the British Empire may forever live at peace with itself and with all men." Those sentiments of His Majesty are also the sentiments of his people the world over—they want to feel that, with the great menace to European peace at length overcome, it may be very many years, if ever, before the world is again plunged into the horrors of war. That is what the men of the Empire fought for—to kill militarism and to assure for generations unborn the blessings which were denied to them.

As to whether there is to be a lengthy era of peace, or whether once again in the near future we are to hear the clash of arms and to have the world's inventive genius exploited for the purpose of killing men—all that depends on the nations themselves: the people as well as their leaders. That is the dominant note struck by the Japanese Imperial Edict which we published yesterday, which says that the guarantee of future tranquillity depends altogether upon the whole-hearted co-operation of all the Allied Powers. To these Powers might also be added all the other nations of the world. There can only be peace so long as all nations unite in their determination to secure and maintain it at all reasonable costs. In the Japanese Edict, frequent reference is made to the establishment of perpetual peace and to the foundation of the League of Nations, and it is set down that Japan is fully conscious of the heavy responsibilities which devolve upon her in this connection. The people are urged to keep these high aims in view, and to concentrate on the peaceful development of their nation's resources, with a view to keeping pace with the advance of human progress. The tone and spirit of this Edict are such as to command universal approval. No country could have higher or nobler ideals than those breathed in this Imperial document. If they were but acted up to by the nations of the world, there would assuredly never be fear of any further wars, big or small.

But it is utterly futile, and even sinful, for any country to profess before the whole world adherence to sentiments of the type contained in Japan's Imperial Edict and then for that country's leaders to shape their policies on lines which conflict therewith. We do not say that Japan is guilty of such deceit, but it will be generally admitted that the general run of her past policy and even her present tendencies have left room for a deal of suspicion, to put it mildly. Only the other day the announcement of her naval programme aroused considerable criticism, the scheme being regarded by Australia in particular as a further whittling down of the League of Nations ideal and the limitation of armaments proposals. But, putting all that aside, and even also passing over the Shantung question, there is no doubt about it that Japan, if she really wishes to make use of it, now has a wonderful opportunity of displaying to the world her sincerity as an apostle of peace. It is not too much to say that upon her future attitude, concord in the Orient, if not, indeed, throughout the world, depends. If she but acts up to the spirit of the Peace Edict, then we need have no fears for the days ahead.

NOTES & COMMENTS.

TRAINING DAYS.

With the holding of the annual Races earlier than is usual this year there is naturally a greater interest being taken in the training season than is customary at this time, and, true to our usual custom, we are giving details of how the training season is going, together with a record of the gallops. As has already been announced, there is a record entry this year and everything promises to give a very successful meeting. All that will be wanted is a little kindness in the matter of weather conditions. In giving an account of yesterday morning's work our representative saw fit to comment on the manner in which those who do the recording of the times have to work under conditions that are not altogether the most favourable. There is quite a large crowd attending on gallop mornings but a little more consideration should be shown to the men who do the main of the "clocking." It is not an easy task to single out the ponies and "chime" them in proper rotation past the various posts. It is a work that requires a great deal of attention and to be distracted by other people "butting in," talking, and asking questions is, to say the very least, annoying. The golden rule should be: "silence": the only people permitted to talk being those calling out the ponies and the times. It really comes to a matter of etiquette. But the Stewards of Jockey Club help a great deal if they would provide some sort of an enclosure, to be reserved for the use of the time-keepers and the representatives of the Press. The information obtained is of general public interest and something might be done to make the working arrangements a little more satisfactory.

THE LAW SOCIETY.

The remarks of Sir William Rees Davies, at the Supreme Court yesterday, regarding the practice of asking for exemptions from certain formalities when applications are made for the admission of solicitors to practice in the Colony, appear to be timely, because it is now becoming a general thing for such applications to be made before all the papers are in order. The whole point of the matter is just this: that the Hongkong Law Society, with a view to protecting its own interests and the general safeguarding of the profession from undesirable, have secured an Ordinance making it necessary for a man being admitted to produce certain papers establishing his bona-fides and credentials. And, of course, it is desirable that such should be the case. But it often arises that to conform to those requirements a certain period of time has to elapse, and to avoid that delay it has become customary to ask for exemptions in one or more particulars. The result of asking for those exemptions, however, is to kill the very intention of the Ordinance, and it is only reasonable for the Chief Justice to remark that in future, requirements must be complied with or else the Ordinance should be taken off the Statute Book. If there is a need for the Ordinance, then by all means let it be enforced, but if it is always going to be evaded why encumber the time of the admitting Judge by applying for exemptions? Better for it be removed. The Law Society has obtained a protection that it should jealously guard not indiscriminately ask to be ignored.

SUSTAINED HATRED.

We notice that it is the opinion of George Bernard Shaw that the United States is more virulent in its hatred of the vanquished Central Powers than any of the other Allies. He points out that England, where homes were demolished by Zeppelin fire, and France, whose provinces were laid waste, are better winners than America, where the latest exploitation of popular wrath is the organisation of a society in New York to bar German music from concert programmes. In Paris, concert audiences have been asked to vote on the question of re-admitting the works of German composers and, almost unanimously, music lovers have decided in favour of such compositions. The names of German artists are restored to their former places. And in Paris the physical scars of war are still visible. The losses of this one city were practically as severe as the entire losses of the United States. Sustained hatred of a beaten opponent is worse than unpopularity. Especially does a boycott of German art smack of carrying things to extremes.

DAY BY DAY.

"TAKE CARE TO BE AN ECONOMIST IN PROSPERITY. THERE IS NO FEAR OF YOUR BEING ONE IN ADVERSITY."—Zimmermann.

The Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, Captain Superintendent of Police, has kindly consented to kick off at the Benefit Match between South China Athletic and Hongkong Football Club, in aid of the Widow of the late Warder Speed, on Saturday.

Edmond Kelly, a European, was charged with being drunk and incapable in Pottinger Street yesterday. He was allowed bail in a sum of \$5 by the Police Sergeant in the charge-room at the Central Police Station. As he did not appear in Court this morning, when his case was called, the bail was ordered by Mr. N. L. Smith to be confiscated.

The Russian Grand Opera Company gave two performances yesterday to most appreciative audiences. At a matinee, "Lacme" was produced, and the performance was noteworthy for the splendid singing and acting of the principals, all of whom were in great form. At night, there was a big audience to witness the repeat performance of "Carmen," which was magnificently done. To-night "Tosca" is the attraction.

The match between the Hongkong Hockey Club and the Hongkong and Singapore B.A.A. ground yesterday, was a most interesting one. The Club opened the scoring early on and before the conclusion they had added an additional two goals, whilst their opponents once got through. For the Club, who won by three goals to one, the scorers were Evans (2) and Brand, whilst the soldiers' goal was registered by the centre-forward.

Mrs. Botelho charged a Chinese boy at the Police Court this morning with the larceny of her purse in Queen's Road Central yesterday. Evidence was given to the effect that Mrs. Botelho caught the thief red-handed as he pulled the purse from her pocket. With the help of her friend, Mr. Silva, the thief was secured and handed over to the Police. A sentence of one month's hard labour, and 12 strokes with the birch was inflicted by Mr. N. L. Smith.

The Hongkong University Basketball Club announces that an inaugural match will be played on the Football Ground in the University between May Hall and Eliot Hall to-morrow at 3 p.m. The Hon. Mr. Claud Severn, C.M.G., Vice-President of the Club has kindly consented to throw off. The public, and specially those ladies and gentlemen who intend to be present at the Degree Ceremony to be held in the University that same afternoon, are cordially invited to be present at this match.

The Canton Government's Agents in Hongkong are looking for a loan of \$1,500,000 and are applying to various foreign firms for that purpose. Unfortunately for them, it is too well known in Hongkong that the Canton Government has miserably failed to repay the mortgages due after the official sale of the Industrial Bazaar of Canton, though the proceeds of the sale have been in the hands of the Government officials since May last year. It is by such methods that the Canton Government brings distrust upon its head. Where is the foreigner who would care to invest in mortgages in Canton after such an experience?

A cold ducking in the Harbour was experienced by a *lukong* yesterday morning at the hands of a number of Chinese whom he caught gambling on the Bank Wharf. Prompted by feelings of devotion to duty he attempted to tackle them single handed. The temptation offered by the nearness of the water was irresistible to the gamblers and with one accord they fell on the unlucky *lukong*. Whilst three of them held his arms, the remainder gave him a push which landed him into the cold water. With some difficulty he at last managed to clamber out, but his assailants had promptly disappeared. He went up to the Police Station and later returned to the scene with reinforcements. One of the gamblers was identified and arrested. At the Police Court to-day, for having cared to lay hands on one of her minions, the law inflicted on the delinquent a fine of \$25, or in default, six weeks' hard labour.

MUSICAL JOTTINGS.

(BY "ENHARMONIC").

Of course there is only one thing of interest to music lovers to talk about this week and that is the visit of the Russian Grand Opera Company—a Company that has been supported in very liberal manner. It just goes to show that the contention that many people put forward that Hongkong is not a musical place at all is a very false one. It certainly is a place where the chances to hear good music in public are very few and far between, but it is also a Colony in which resides a great proportion of music lovers. That fact has been more than demonstrated by the packed houses that have this week witnessed operas that are solely attractive because of their exquisite music.

And whatever else might be said of the Russian Company it certainly has given us fine music. Regarding the alleged lack of elaborateness in the scenery, or the little brilliance achieved in the dresses, I am not going to speak, save to say that, according to my own humble opinion, matters in both these respects have been quite adequate, especially when one considers what it must mean for a travelling company to handle large quantities of "props." An opera, after all is said and done, is a drama set to music, and if the scenery, etc., is sufficient to bring out the dramatic, sufficient to convey correct ideas of time and place, then there should be no need for further embellishment. And no one can complain that in any of the operas so far put on, the scenery in this respect was inadequate.

Musically, the operas have been a very satisfying treat, and it is to the orchestra of the Company that so much is owing. The orchestral parts of an opera can rightly be termed the groundwork on which everything else is based and if that is faulty, then the whole is spoiled. But under Mr. Vasileff and Mr. Furst, the orchestra with this Company works with unfeignedness and high ability. It is extremely well-balanced, though it seemed a little nervous on the opening night, and special appreciation can be shown to the string performers, on whom so much of the hard work falls. To be a first violin in different operas every night is no light task. To single out the work in any one opera would be to miss a great many others equally deserving, and so I shall content myself with the general statement that the orchestra by itself has always been worth a visit.

And the Company is rich in principals. Of lady principals it has given us a number of refreshing changes, sopranos (coloratura and dramatic), mezzo-sopranos, and contraltos. The voice for each part has always been well chosen, and the artists have worked with a verve that has made the shows so successful. Of course, there are far more male principals, but it is the general idea—and one to which I lean—that in male voices the Company is not so well off. It is really impossible to contrast male and female voices—they are in totally different classes—but the ladies have been of such high excellence that the men have not shown up quite so well. It may be that the language does not suit a male voice, for often there has been a trace of hardness. Nevertheless, there have been heard some fine tenor voices, and I am not going to grumble. It would be too long a task to name the principals individually and so I pass on.

The chorus work has been good, considering, as one must, the size of the chorus. The Company is a large one for Hongkong but it is really a small one for grand opera, and the amount of work that has been demanded of every member of it has been considerable. In the better known works, it was a treat to hear the old favourite choruses being sung in such a fine manner. Even without knowing the words, one could follow the spirit and animation of them.

Summing up the visit generally, I can only say that it has been a festival. I admit that in many ways things could have been better—I am thinking of the operas at Covent Garden—but they could not have been better musically. It has meant late hours—later than I usually keep—but it has been well worth it. The Company's repertoire is by no means over yet and I am looking forward to some enjoyable nights before I have to write again. To all those who have not yet been

CORRESPONDENCE.

(To The Editor of the "Hongkong Telegraph.")

THE TYPHOON QUESTION.

Sir,—Referring to your kind criticism of my letter, you state that the Hon. Mr. E. R. Hallifax would receive any suggestions from the shipping people, etc., and lay these before the Committee for consideration. I for one refuse to talk to Mr. Hallifax's waste-paper basket. I certainly have a very poor opinion of that Committee, and the fact that naval men sit on it makes it all the worse, and therefore useless.

If Mr. Hallifax will only think of the thousands of drowning human beings in local typhoons, he would feel like clutching at a straw, and you have a mighty big straw in the form of experience. But that can only be obtained by seeking advice from local merchant skippers who have to face typhoons. Did you ever hear of a naval man in a typhoon? Not much. The whole trouble rests on obtaining a sure warning of a typhoon's approach. My method is very simple, and advice free—but to a practical and fair hearing only. The hearing can be before naval men, for I am certain, they would speak honestly for or against. The meeting should be held in the City Hall, with open doors.

H. E. the Governor has done his best, and it now remains for Mr. Hallifax to do his.

Yours etc.

SELF-GOVERNMENT.

Hongkong, Jan. 14, 1920.

STOLEN JEWELLERY.

CAUSED HUSBAND AND WIFE TO PART.

A quantity of jewellery, valued at \$600, is the subject of a larceny case which was remanded by Mr. N. L. Smith at the Magistracy to-day. The defendant, a Chinese, said to be on affectionate terms with the wife of a Chinese Government employee, from whom the jewellery is said to have been stolen. A report of the theft was made by the woman to the Police on the 8th October last, in which it was stated that whilst she was doing her hair in the sitting room, the man, who was in the bedroom, made his exit from the house, which was in Peel Street, with her jewellery. The man could not be traced by the Police until the 13th instant, when he was arrested, and information was elicited concerning the disposal of his loot.

Sergeant Field informed his Worship that a quarrel had ensued between the woman and her husband over the loss of the jewellery, with the consequence that she left him and went to Canton. Since the arrest of the defendant the Sergeant had heard that she had returned, and for the purpose of securing her evidence he wanted a remand of the case.

The case was accordingly remanded by the Magistrate.

ATTEMPTED SUICIDE.

BY CHINESE COOLIE FROM FRANCE.

A Chinese labourer recently repatriated from France landed into misfortune on account of his gambling propensities. After having lost all his earnings and being without food for four days he decided to bring his troubles to a speedy termination by committing suicide.

This story was related to Mr. J. R. Wood at the Magistracy this morning, when the coolie in question was charged with attempting to commit suicide. In the early hours of this morning, when the wind was keenly blowing in Park Road, a constable on his beat in that locality heard a weird rustling in the branches of a certain tree immediately below the servants' quarters of the European houses. His hair standing on end, the constable approached the tree and met the melancholy sight of a man swinging from one of the branches by a rope passed round his neck in a loop. The constable arrived at the moment when the man was just making his rash attempt but in time to save his life.

Inspector Macdonald had charge of the case to day. It was adjourned.

I give the advice, "Go," for one can never say they have enjoyed the best music until they have enthused over the rendition of a first-class opera.

TO-DAY'S MISCELLANY.

Sir T. P. Whittaker had an hereditary interest in temperance reform. His father, Thomas Whittaker, was one of the early temperance advocates, and Sir Thomas had as a second name "Palmer," after William Isaac Palmer, the Quaker who founded the biscuit firm and was also a well-known abstainer. Old Thomas Whittaker used to possess a rattle with which in the old days he used to help to announce temperance meetings. Town criers refused to "cry" teetotal gatherings and printers would not print bills. Nor would churches of chapels lend their rooms. So Whittaker used to see to things himself. He was author of a book called "Life's Battles in Temperance Armour." Another old colleague of his was Thomas Hudson, who also wrote a volume entitled "Pioneers of the West." Thirty years ago boys used to ask for this at libraries, and were not a little disgusted to find that instead of a Fenimore Cooper or Mayne Reid yarn they received an account of temperance meetings in Bristol.

The speeches exchanged at the Buckingham Palace banquet in honour of M. Poincare were presumably reported as delivered. This was not the case when President Faure went to Petrograd in 1897. The Tsar's post prandial address of welcome was then so lacking in warmth that M. Hanotaux, who accompanied Faure as Foreign Minister, protested against its being communicated to the press. He assured Nicholas that its publication would offend the French, whose alliance with Russia was then of very recent date. So the Tsar consented to his speech being rewritten, and the French Foreign Minister obligingly undertook the task. There was no time to waste, as the reporters were eagerly awaiting the text. In less than ten minutes, "entre le cafe et les liqueurs," as an admiring eyewitness relates, M. Hanotaux composed an oration which was rapturously acclaimed in France.

The I.W.W. is said to be responsible for the mysterious shots that have been fired at a procession of discharged soldiers in an American city. Anyhow, the local secretary of that body has been riddled and hanged out of hand by the crowd as a reprisal. It is mainly by such events that the ordinary citizen learns of the Industrial Workers of the World, and he indizes them accordingly. Yet they have a philosophy and a policy to which violence and sabotage are only incidental. These were stated in America so long ago as 1899 by M. S. Stephens, who formed the "Noble and Holy Order of the Knights of Labour." Its aim, like that of modern Syndicalism, was to abolish the wage system entirely, and as a first step to substitute for limited and specialised craft unionism "the grand union of all who toil, regardless of sex, of creed, and of colour." The Knights, after a promising start, dwindled and failed. The time was not ripe for a Connecticut machinist to make sacrifices for a Californian lumberman. But their ideal emerged again in the bitterly fought strike of the Colorado miners in 1903, and gave birth to the American I.W.W., whose policy then as now was to compel "the complete surrender of the control of industry to the organized workers." To the I.W.W., then, the capitalist is the enemy. He assails none more bitterly than he does the "intellectuals" of the Socialist movement—Wells, Shaw, Kautsky, Bernstein, and even Jaures, for these, he considers, have made their peace with the State. His appeal is ever to the bottom dog, and it is international. Mr. J. G. Brooks, in his "History of American Syndicalism," relates how in the midst of an embittered American industrial dispute an immigrant striker fresh from Europe explained his allegiance to the I.W.W. in these revealing words: "Always is the same. Everywhere it is the one home. I had only to smile and say a little word 'Comrade.' At once something happens. I get quick my smile back, and such great welcome. With 'Comrade' and no money I could see all the world and hear all things." The is the kinder side of the picture. The other shows a grim record of violence and sabotage, too often replied to by the American employer with methods as lawless—the employment of private agents to do police work, the use of spies and gunmen, and the introduction of gangs of imported strike-breakers as desperate as the strikers.

SCHOOL FOOTBALL.

YESTERDAY'S GAMES.

The conclusion of the 1919-1920 season of the Senior League of the Hongkong Schools' Football Association was signalled yesterday by an exhibition match between the St. Joseph's College team, who are this season's winners, and a team drawn from the Rest of the League.

Yesterday was also to have seen the termination of the Junior League games, as the final between the two strongest teams in this section, those of Wanchai School and Queen's College, was played previous to the exhibition match. The calculation that it would be the concluding game and thus enable the Cup to be presented at the same time with the others was not realised. The match proved to be a draw and a replay is essential at some future date to settle the question of the destination of the trophy.

The exhibition match was an interesting one, and served to further demonstrate the superior skill of the St. Joseph's College team. The game, at the commencement, was carried into "The Rest's" territory, and a kick obtained by St. Joseph's in a scrimmage resulted in the ball being safely netted. This proved to be the only goal registered in the game. Play after this was more or less exciting and its conclusion saw the College winners score a goal to win.

In calling upon His Excellency the Governor, who had kindly consented to present the Senior League Shield and the other awards to the successful teams, Mr. J. Ralston, the Hon. Secretary of the Association, said: "Ladies and Gentlemen—boys. Today we have come to the end of a very interesting and successful season. As regards the dates fixed at the beginning of the year I thought I had been very fortunate in having the final match of the Junior League fixed for the date on which we hoped to present the prizes. But I was mistaken and the Junior League cup has to be played for on a future occasion. In the Senior League, St. Joseph's College came through unbeaten, winning the Shield and gold medals. The Cup nearest to me is the one presented by the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe in 1917 for competition among the Government District Schools. It is won by no other school except Wanchai School, and they, having won it for the third year in succession, become the owners. The record of this year is excellent in the competitions for the Government District Schools. The Wanchai School secured 22 points and had not one single goal registered against them. Before asking the Governor to present the trophies and medals to St. Joseph's College, I would like to speak a few words about next year. The Senior League will be run as it is at present; the Junior League will be confined to the lower schools; the other League, is the intermediate one. This last League marks a step in the right direction to give more boys in the school a game on Wednesday afternoons, that is to say in competitive games. The cup necessary for this competition has been given to the Schools' Football Association by the Hongkong Club's shield committee. With very admirable generosity they had found a cup which they thought they could spare—a duplicate of the one which had been given by the Hon. Mr. Landale to replace the one that had been missing during the war. I will now ask your Excellency to present the shield and medals.

His Excellency said he had much pleasure in presenting the prizes. It was an interesting game that they had witnessed in which the spirit of the schools came out very strongly. He was very pleased to find football in such a flourishing condition among the schools. He thought all would agree with him, especially those who had played football in their school days, that there was not a finer game than football, because it gave every one an equal chance and aroused a great deal of enthusiasm and skill. He was sorry he was unable to see the conclusion of the final in the Junior League that afternoon, but he hoped he would be given an opportunity of seeing it on a future occasion.

His Excellency then presented the shield to the St. Joseph's College team as winners in the Senior League, and the gold medals to individual members of the team. The Wanchai School's team was presented with the Cup, which they will retain permanently.

FOOTBALL.

SATURDAY'S PROGRAMME.

Chief interest on Saturday next will centre in the exhibition match between the Club and South China, the proceeds of this match being devoted to the relatives of the late Warder Speed. A good exhibition of football should result and as South China are the most attractive draw at present in the Colony, a great gate should result to benefit the good object of the match. The Club are unbeaten this season, and the locals, if they put their full team in the field, should put up a rare good game. To avoid any unpleasantness, it might be observed that on Saturday all will pay, as this is a charity match and even the ladies will willingly contribute to this deserving cause.

In the Second Division the matches are very interesting and St. Joseph's Res. and South China "A" will act as a certain-raiser for the big match. The teams and officials are as follows:—

Club v. South China.—Club Ground. Kick-off 4 p.m. referee Mr. Birkenhead.

St. Joseph's v. South China A.—Club Ground. Kick-off 2.30, referee Mr. Langford.

Navy Res. v. United F. C.—Navy Ground. Kick-off 2.30, referee Lt. St. John.

L. R. C. v. Club Res.—Military Ground. Kick-off 2.30, referee Mr. Robinson.

PANSY DAY FUND.

The following donations are gratefully acknowledged:—Per the Hon. Mr. Lau Chai Pak, Canton Nanyang Tobacco Co. \$200.
Mr. Yung Tze Ming ... 50.
Mr. Mok Koon Sang ... 50.
Mr. Wong Kum Yung ... 25.
Mr. M. K. Lo ... 10.
Mr. Tong Yat Chuen ... 10.
Mr. Shun Pak ... 10.
Mr. Ip Lau Chuen ... 10.
Amount collected per Madame Lily ... 34.
Anonymous ... 16.
Sgt. Harry Kirkby ... 5.

Already acknowledged 10,956.26 \$11,376.26

The Pansy Day Fund is now closed and a complete statement of accounts of the War Devastated Villages of France Fund will be published later.

H. MATHESON,
Hon. Treasurer.

BREVITIES.

Dancing masters say that the end of the war has increased the dancing craze threefold.

Silk was first made by Si Ling, wife of Hoang-Ti, emperor of China, 2600 B. C.

Blankets are called blankets because Thomas Blanket, who introduced woollens to England in 1348, invented and wove them.

In Serbia and Bulgaria the girl who is not betrothed by her sixteenth birthday is considered hopelessly indigestible.

Tokker, inventor of the airplane, used extensively by the Germans in the war is a Hollander.

Nikalgin, the external anesthetic used so successfully in army hospitals on the Verdun and Somme fronts and at Paris, is the invention of an American electrical engineer.

To use the watch as a compass, bring the watch into a position so that the hour hand is pointing toward the sun. The south then lies midway between whatever hour it may be and the numeral XII on the dial of the watch.

The origin of playing cards is one of the things enshrouded in mystery. There is a pack in the British museum known to be over a thousand years old, and there were Japanese and Chinese playing cards in the twelfth century. No spot in the British isles is more than eighty miles from the sea.

To express kilometres in miles multiply by six and divide by ten.

By right of their having won it for three consecutive years.

Mr. Ralston then made the announcement that His Excellency the Governor had just intimated his intention of presenting a cup to replace the one which had been won by the Wanchai School. The announcement was received with cheers.

Cheers for the Governor and for the successful teams brought the proceedings to a termination.

A HOPE OF IMMORTALITY.

ONE OF THE CHARMS OF A FILM MUSEUM.

There is much to be said for the projected national film museum on its serious side, and there is another aspect of the idea that is not without its attractions. It will bring to some of us a hope of "living through the ages" that our own actions are not likely to bring.

We are all familiar with the waiting crowd that is invariably shown on the screen when any great event has been filmed, and it is pleasant to think that haply one's form and features may be preserved as one of that crowd for posterity to gaze upon in the national museum.

The historian and the casual student of the particular event will not know who we are, nor will they be interested to find out, but our families will preserve the tradition, will pass down the story of how their ancestor may be seen at the museum. For every family likes to think that one member of it has been above the rack.

I like to picture the scene when, once a year, following the family tradition, my distant descendants are taken to pay their tribute to the fame of their ancestor. I like to picture mother cutting up the sandwiches and packing the milk for the little ones. I like to imagine father, a worthy inheritor of my name, having the "nous" to see to his own refreshments.

I like, in fancy, to hear them ask the curator of the museum for the particular film in which I figure. I hear their eager remarks as the waiting crowd is shown.

"There he is," Albert, who has seen it before, will cry, that funny-looking man in the left-hand corner, and mother will hold baby up and say, "Look, baby, there's great-grand-dad. Baby, see the funny way he holds his stick," and then, though I have long lain in the dust for a while they will think and speak of me—"T.H." in the Daily Chronicle.

SHARK SKIN LEATHER.

The United States Secretary of Commerce, Mr. William C. Redfield, is said to be wearing a pair of shark skin shoes. The manufacture of leather from shark and other fish skins has been developed mainly through the efforts of the Bureau of Fisheries, which is a subsidiary of the Department of Commerce. Scarcity of leather has made the resort to fish skins as a source of supply necessary, and according to Government reports satisfactory progress has been made along that line. Shark-leather is said to take a high finish and wear well. Catfish suitcases, porpoise music rolls, codfish pocketbooks and wolf-fish razor straps have been made.

MISTAKES ABOUT DIET.

It is a mistake to suppose that you can help your digestion by eating only essential nourishment separated from all waste, for the stomach has been furnished by Nature with the power to separate nourishment and waste material, and organs that are not used become sluggish and atrophied. You must use them, yet not abuse them. Weak digestion is not helped by adopting faddish and unnatural diets. Predigested foods, highly concentrated extracts and starvation treatments are unnatural, and cannot cure indigestion.

Indigestion and stomach troubles are conditions that follow a defective state of the blood, as in anaemia, or after influenza, or even through lack of healthy exercise and fresh air. Also, indigestion causes the blood to be deprived of nourishment, so that there is close connection between a weak stomach and bloodlessness, either being likely to cause the other.

To dispel indigestion and strengthen a debilitated stomach, new, good blood is necessary, and it has been repeatedly proved that the rich, red blood created by Dr. Williams' pink pills has a direct influence on the stomach, digestion and nerves. This new blood revives the appetite, restores the stomach and digestive powers to healthy activity, and steadily imparts strength to those who follow the treatment.

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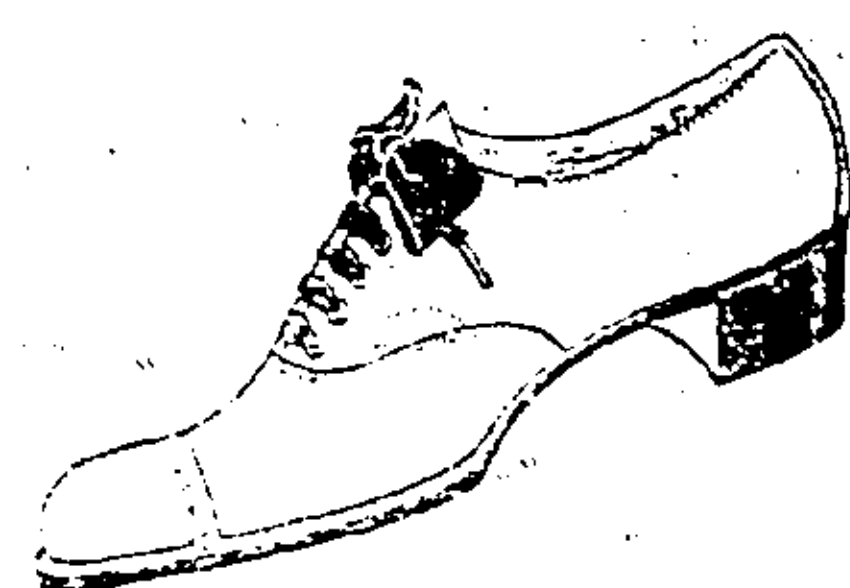
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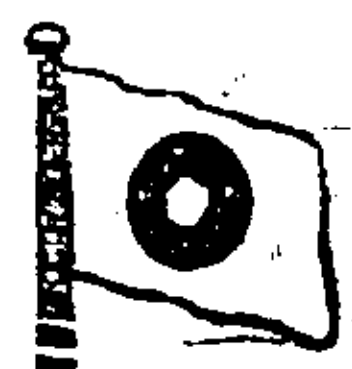
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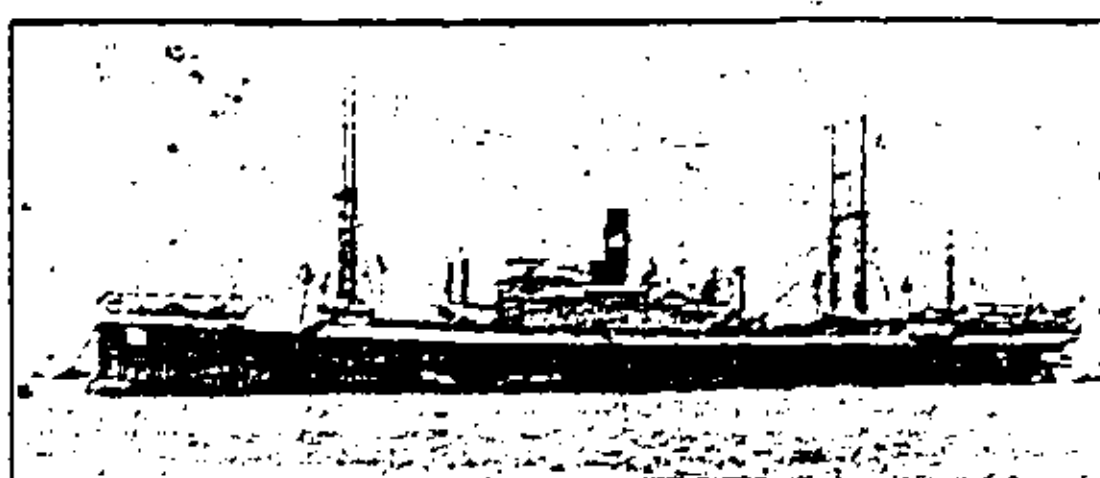
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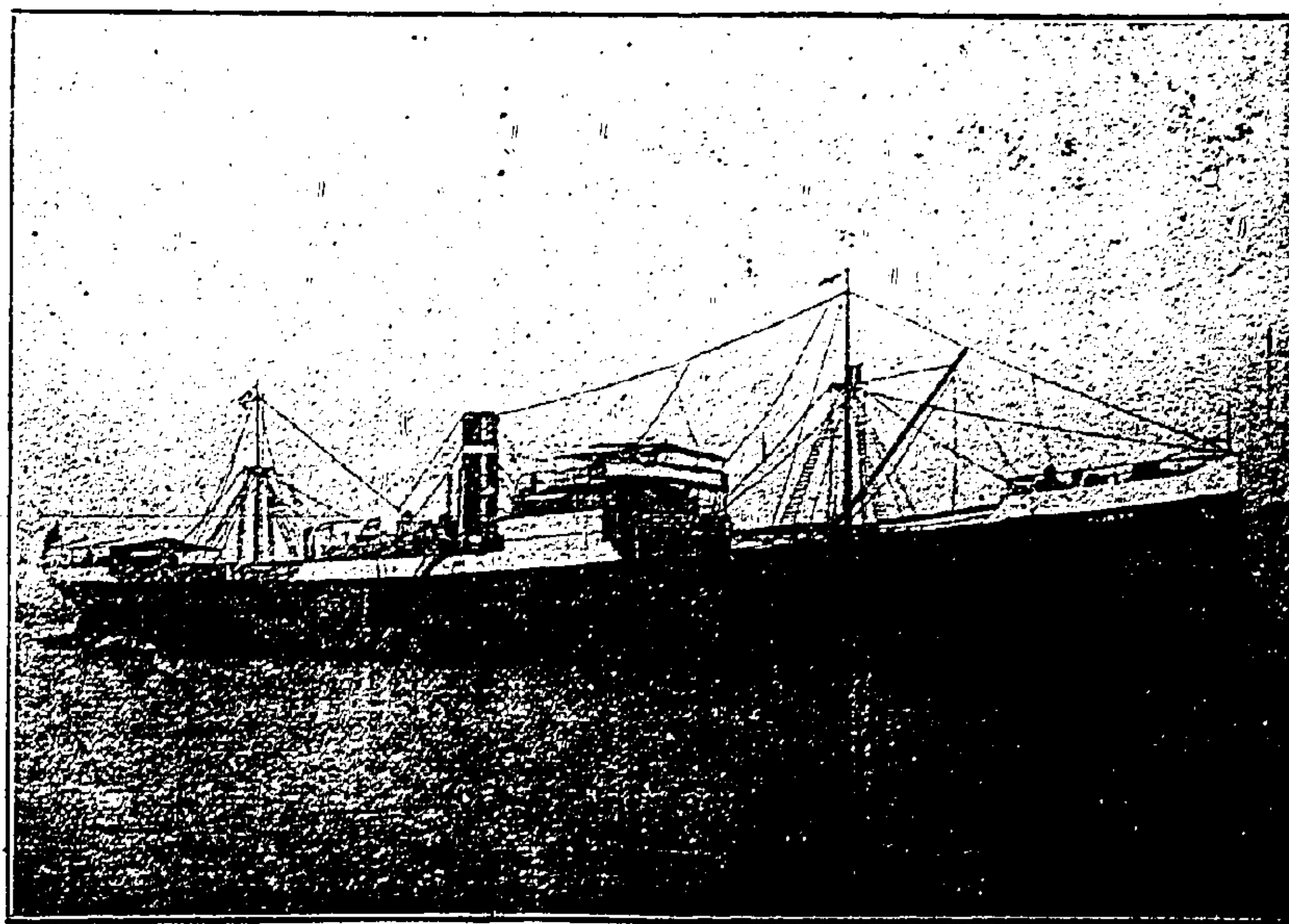
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Yesterday afternoon, the Chief Justice (Sir William Rees Davies, K.C.) delivered an important judgement on an application by way of Originating Summons in which the Court was asked to direct a liquidator of an Insurance Company in voluntary Liquidation to add a claim on a policy of Marine Insurance.

In the course of his judgment, his Lordship said the statement of facts were agreed upon between the parties and in so far as is material to the point in issue are as follows: The applicants, the Hong Hing Steamship Company, Ltd., effected two marine insurance policies with the Tai Sun Insurance and Banking Company, Limited, for 12 months from 16th July, 1917, one policy being upon the hull and machinery of the s.s. Laertes the other policy being upon the profit of that ship. No question however arises on the policy upon the hull and machinery, the amount of that claim having been paid in full. As to the policy upon the profit the policy is a valued policy and the agreed value of the profit is specified at \$200,000, whereas the amount of \$20,000 is insured under, and is the agreed value of the policy in question.

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The notice of rejection by the liquidator states:—
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(2)—That the policy upon the profits of the vessel claimed upon was a gambling policy and void as such.

Now it is common ground that the policy is a valued policy, and therefore the position taken up by the applicants is that on total loss of the ship they become entitled to the sum insured, \$200,000, irrespective of any proof of profit or of the rendering of any account in respect thereof. They rely on the terms of the policy which states that the profit of the vessel for so much as concerns the assured "is or shall be rated and valued at \$200,000 only," and on the covenant which is to be read with the warranties contained in the margin. The covenant is the usual one and reads as follows:—The said Tai Sun Insurance and Banking Company, Limited, covenant, promise, and (which agree, and obligate themselves their Heirs, Executors, Goods and Chattels, in case of Loss happening God forbid) to satisfy and pay in Hongkong the sum of money by them so assured, at the expiration of Thirty Days, after the first proper Notice and Proof of the Loss is given to the office in Hongkong and no abatement whatever shall be made, but the full sum shall be paid, any use or custom to the contrary notwithstanding. Some argument took place as to the construction to be placed on the words "in the case of loss happening," but I agree with the construction put forward by the applicants, and I understand challenged by the company, that the loss referred to clearly relates to the loss of the vessel and not to loss on profit. This opinion however does not affect the view which I take on the argument generally, and which I will deal with briefly.

After reviewing authorities cited by counsel, his Lordship concluded:—
In regard to the cases to which I have referred and others cited in argument Mr. Pott contended that there was in all cases proof of the total loss of the subject assured. That this was obviously so in the cases where the insurance had been effected on the vessels themselves; and in

regard to the case of the Main whilst it was held the valuation is conclusive the subject matter of the policy was proved. Now that case decided that the valuation was binding and could not be reopened, but it was proved that the freight was in fact lost although the freight at risk was below the footing of the valuation. Although that case is the nearest authority which I can discover to the case before me, I think the distinction is material that there was proof of the subject matter of the policy, i.e., the loss of freight insured against, whereas the applicant in this case declines to furnish any proof of profit at all.

I can come to one conclusion only, and it is, I think, consistent with justice and common sense, that the owners should render particulars of the profits earned between the date of the charter and the date of the loss of the vessel, and that these profits should be accounted for against the sum insured.
In arriving at this conclusion I have not overlooked the terms of the covenant which is in the common form. The words to pay "the sum of money so assured" clearly means the sum of money so assured on loss of profit; and for the reasons which I have given the loss of profit can in my opinion be only construed to mean such loss of profit as is proved to be due within the margin of the valuation, and the words "no abatement whatever shall be made" must be read subject to that qualification. The applicants must pay the costs of these proceedings.

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Capt., Aide-de-Camp.

Government House,
14th Jan., 1920.

RUSSIAN GRAND OPERA Co.

TO-NIGHT!
at 915 p.m.
TOSCA.

Jan. 16th, FAUST.
" 17th, CAVALLERIA
" RUSTI'ANA and
" PAGLIACCI
" 19th, IL TROVATORE
" 20th, MADAME
" BUTTERFLY.
" 21st, LA BOHEME.

MATINEE:

Saturday, Jan. 17th,
at 3.15 p.m.
TRAVIATA

PRICES: \$4, \$3 & \$1.

Booking now open at MOUTRIE'S.

TO BE LET.

TO LET—AT THE PEAK completely furnished five roomed house with three bathrooms for February and March with possibility of extension. Apply to Box 308 c/o "Hongkong Telegraph."

TO BE LET.

TO LET—No 3 Seymour Terrace from middle February at \$15 per month including taxes. Apply to Linstead and Davis.

NOTICE.

REPULSE BAY HOTEL.
THE FINEST DANCE FLOOR IN THE COLONY.
UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE ON SATURDAY 17th January.

TEA DANCING—From 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.
DINNER DANCING From 8 p.m.

SUNDAY, 18th January.
AFTERNOON AND EVENING ORCHESTRAL CONCERTS.

J. H. TAGGART,
Manager.

NOTICE.

We have established a Branch Office in Sydney with Mr. Arthur Nickells Bishop as the Manager thereof.

THE HONGKONG MERCANTILE CO., LTD.
Hongkong, 15th January, 1920.

CONSIGNEES

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP CO. LTD. AND CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO. LTD.

Consignees per Company's Steamer "BELLEPHON"

are hereby notified that the Cargo will be discharged into Holt's Wharf, Kowloon, where it will lie at Consignees' risk. The Cargo will be ready for delivery from Godown on and after 15th January.

Optional cargo will be landed, unless notice has been given prior to steamer's arrival. All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays and Fridays between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and noon within the free storage period.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 21st Jan. will be subject to rent. All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before the 4th February, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
Hongkong, 13th January, 1920.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

AMERICAN ASIATIC S.S. CO. From NEW YORK

The Steamship "ARABIAN PRINCE."

having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

Consignees of cargo are hereby notified that they must produce an Import permit signed by the Superintendent of Imports and Exports Hongkong, before Bills of Lading can be countersigned. All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the godowns, where they will be examined on by Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

All claims must be presented with fifteen days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized.

No claims must be presented within fifteen days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized. No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 9th inst. will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

SHEWAN TOMES & CO., Agents.
Hongkong, 13th January, 1920.

G. R.

It is hereby notified that persons applying for licences under the ARMS AMMUNITION ORDINANCE should do so between the hours of 9 a.m. and 11 a.m., daily, Sundays and Holidays excepted.

Application to be made at the Licensing Clerk's Office, Central Police Station.

E. D. WOLFE,
C.S.P.
Hongkong, 10th January, 1920.

NOTICE.

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the above-named Company will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, St. George's Building, Victoria, Hongkong, on Wednesday the 28th day of January 1920 at 12 o'clock noon for the purpose of considering and if thought fit of passing the following Resolutions—
(1) To consider, and if thought fit, approve the draft new Articles which will be submitted to the Meeting.
(2) That the Capital of the Company be increased to Three million dollars (\$3,000,000) by the creation of Two hundred and forty thousand (240,000) shares of Ten dollars (\$10.00) each, ranking for dividend and in all other respects pari passu with the existing shares in the Company.

And in the event of the First Resolution being passed with or without modification.
(3) To consider, and if thought fit, to pass an Extraordinary Resolution to the effect—That, the new Articles already approved by this Meeting and for the purpose of identification thereof subscribed by the Chairman be and the same are hereby approved, and that such Articles be and they are hereby adopted as the Articles of the Company to the exclusion of and in substitution for all the existing Articles thereof.

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that a further Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, St. George's Building, aforesaid, on Monday the 16th day of February 1920 at 11 o'clock in the forenoon for the purpose of receiving a report of the proceedings of the above mentioned Meeting and of confirming, if thought fit, the Special Resolutions of the above mentioned Extraordinary Resolutions 2 and 3.

And the subjoined Resolution will be proposed as an Extraordinary Resolution.

That it is desirable to capitalize the sum of \$500,000.00 standing to the credit of the Company's Reserve Fund, and accordingly that for the purpose of effecting such capitalization a bonus of \$10 per share on each of the issued shares of the Company be and the same is hereby declared and that the Board be and they are hereby authorized to satisfy such bonus by the distribution amongst the persons who are registered as holders of the issued \$10 shares of the Company on the date hereof of one of the unissued \$10 shares of the Company credited as fully paid up in respect of each share of the Company held by such persons as aforesaid and in satisfaction of such aforesaid bonus, and that such shares rank for dividends and in all other respects as from the first day of March 1920.

Drafts of the new Articles of Association may be seen at any time before the second meeting, except Saturday and Sundays, between the hours of 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. at the Registered Offices of the Company, or at the Offices of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes & Master Prince's Buildings, Hongkong, the Company's Solicitors. Dated this 13th day of January, 1920.

By Order of the Board,
GIBB LIVINGSTON & CO., Agents.

NOTICE.

UNIVERSITY OF HONGKONG.

A Congregation of the University of Hongkong will be held in the Great Hall on Friday, January 16th, at 5 p.m. at which The Chancellor of the University, His Excellency The Governor of the Colony, will confer Degrees. Admission will be by ticket only.

N. T. MACKINTOSH,
Registrar.

G. R.

NOTICES.

Particulars and Conditions of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on Monday, the 19th day of January, 1920, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of one Lot of Crown Land at Aberdeen, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT

Lot No.	Area in Acres	Area in Sq. Yds.	Area in Sq. Ft.	Area in Sq. M.
1	1.5	101,400	1,461,600	101,400
2	1.5	101,400	1,461,600	101,400
3	1.5	101,400	1,461,600	101,400
4	1.5	101,400	1,461,600	101,400
5	1.5	101,400	1,461,600	101,400
6	1.5	101,400	1,461,600	101,400
7	1.5	101,400	1,461,600	101,400
8	1.5	101,400	1,461,600	101,400
9	1.5	101,400	1,461,600	101,400
10	1.5	101,400	1,461,600	101,400

NOTICE.

THE HONGKONG CENTRAL ESTATE, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Sixty Ordinary Meeting of Shareholders in this Company will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Jardine Matheson & Company, Limited, on Thursday 24th January 1920 at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with the Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December 1919.

The Register of Shares of the Company will be Closed from Monday 19th to Thursday 24th January 1920 (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be Registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
The Hongkong Central Estate, Limited.

MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE, Secretary.

The General Managers.

Hongkong, 13th January, 1920.

NOTICE.

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY COMPANY, LTD.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Thirty Second Ordinary Meeting of Shareholders in this Company will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Jardine Matheson & Co., Ltd. on Thursday 29th, January 1920 at 12 o'clock at noon for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with the Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st, December 1919.

The Register of Shares of the Company will be Closed from Monday 19th to Thursday 29th, January 1920 (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be Registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE, Secretary.

Hongkong, 13th January, 1920.

NOTICE.

THE HONGKONG LAND RECLAMATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Nineteenth Ordinary Meeting of Shareholders in this Company will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine Matheson & Company, Limited on Thursday the 29th, January 1920 at 11.45 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with the Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st, December 1919.

The Register of Shares of the company will be Closed from Monday 19th to Thursday 29th, January 1920 (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be Registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE, Secretary.

Hongkong, 13th January, 1920.

NOTICE.

HONGKONG BOXING ASSOCIATION.

(Marathon Race Sub-Committee)

MARATHON RACE

Open to all Services, Universities, Colleges, Schools and the Public Generally.

To be run on SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 21st, 1920.

Start at 3.0 p.m.

COURSE (about 11 miles).—OUT: Statue Wharf (opposite Queen's Statue) past Hongkong Club and Law Courts, up Garden Road to Public Gardens, past Government House, along Causeway Road to University, and thence along Pokfulam Road to junction with Jubilee Road.

HOME: Along Jubilee Road to Kennedy Town Slaughter Houses, thence on to Praya (or Water Front) along Water Front to Winning Post opposite Hongkong Club.

Race Stewards will be posted along the course.

CONDITIONS: Go as you please. NO STOPPING. Minimum clothing, singlet and shorts.

Prizes (trophies) according to number of entries.

Intending Runners are requested to send name, rank (if any) and address to—

G. G. N. TINSON, Esq., Hon. Secretary, Hongkong Boxing Association, c/o Johnson Stokes & Master, Prince's Buildings, 100 House Street.

Details as to drawing for places will be duly published in these Columns.

ENTRIES close on Saturday, 31st January, at 12 noon.

H. J. GEDGE, F. C. JENKIN, J. C. WILDIN, G. G. N. TINSON.

Marathon Race Sub-Committee.

NOTICE.

THE "SHELL" TRANSPORT & TRADING CO., LTD.

According to telegraphic advices received from London, The "SHELL" Transport & Trading Co., Ltd., have declared an interim dividend of 2/- per share on account of the year 1919 on the ordinary shares of the Company, free of Income Tax. It is payable on the 5th January against Coupon No. 33.

THE INDUSTRIAL AND COMMERCIAL BANK, LIMITED.

Head Office: 6 Des Vaux Road, CUL, Hankow 3 Branch: Paoan Building.
FOR THE YEAR TO COME.
Attention is invited to all things that apply to your own business, and to the way of providing for the future, freely, by OPENING A SAVINGS ACCOUNT WITH US.
SYSTEMATICALLY it will grow to THOUSANDS.

WATER RETURN.

Level and Storage of water in Reservoirs on January 1, 1920. CITY AND HILL DISTRICT WATERWORKS LEVEL.

Station	1919	1920
City	101.5	101.5
City	101.5	101.5
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City	101.5	101.5
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Total: 101.5

Consumption of water in the City and Hill District in millions and decimals of millions during the month of December.

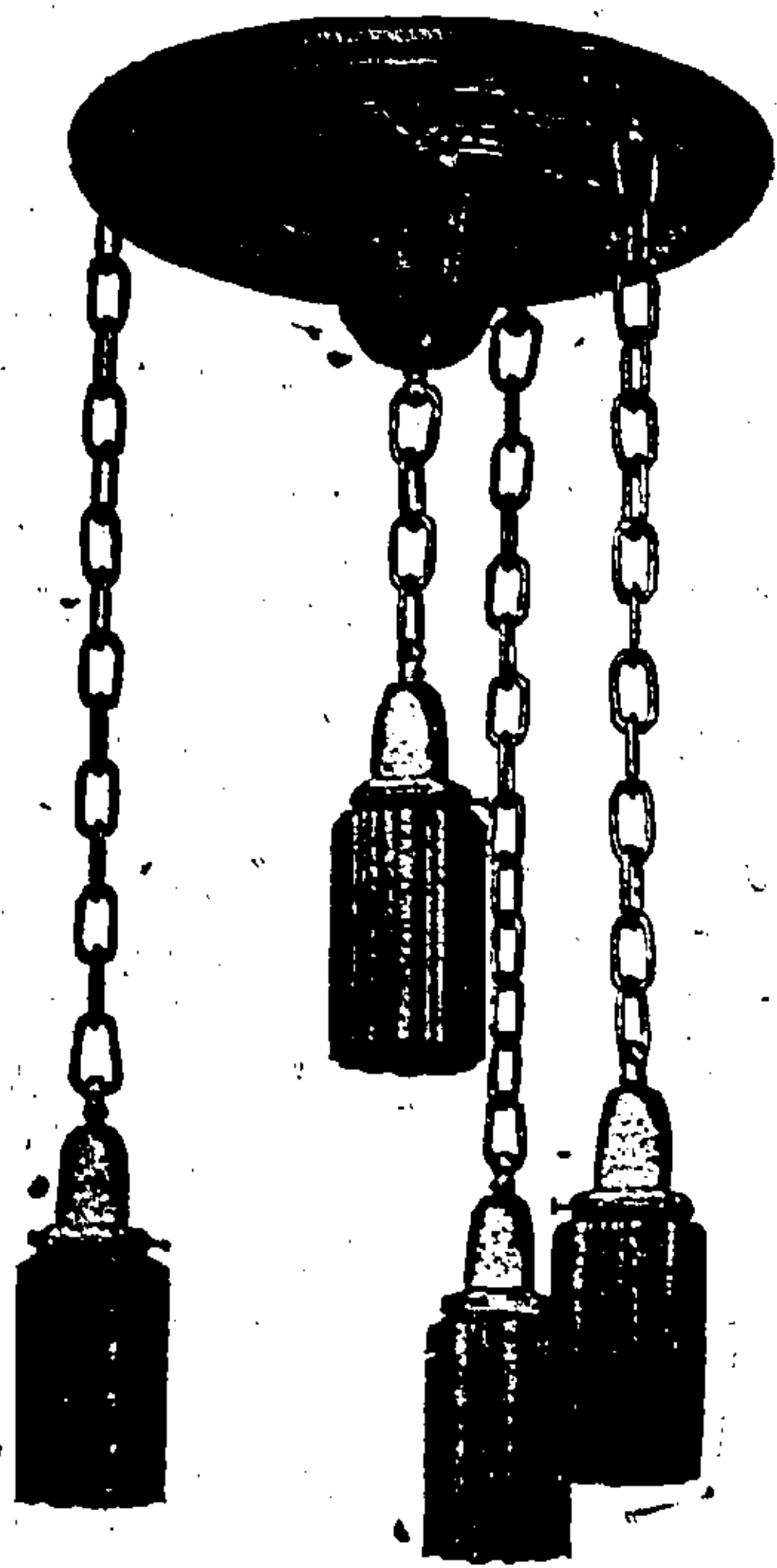
Estimated population 177,000
Consumption per head per day 12.0
Consumption 177,000 x 12.0 = 2,124,000 gallons

Kowloon WATERWORKS LEVEL.

Station	1919	1920
Kowloon	101.5	101.5
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Kowloon	101.5	101.5
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Kowloon	101.5	101.5

Total: 101.5

Consumption of water in Kowloon



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MAKE NIGHT AS BRIGHT AS DAY.

WE CARRY STOCK OF BOWLS, SHADES,
TABLE LAMPS AND ELECTRICAL FITTINGS
TO SUIT ALL WHAT YOU DO NOT SEE
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MADE UP TO YOUR SPECIFICATIONS.
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CONSIGNEES.

CHINA MAIL S.S. CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

From SAN FRANCISCO,
HONOLULU, YOKOHAMA
& SHANGHAI.

The Steamship
"NANKING"

having arrived, from the above
mentioned ports, Consignees of
cargo by her, are hereby notified,
to send in their Bills of Lading
duly endorsed for countersignature
and take immediate delivery of
their goods from ship's side or
Co's lighter into which all the
cargo is being landed.

Cargo impeding discharge will
be landed at once and cargo
remaining on board or in lighter
on and after Friday, 16th Jan.
1920 will be subject to landing
charges. Cargo undelivered on
and after Monday, 19th Jan.
1920 will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged
goods will be landed into the
Co's Godown, where it will be
examined on Monday, 19th Jan.
1920 at 10 a.m.

No claim will be recognised
after the goods have left the ship's
tackle, Co's lighters and/or
Godown.

All claims must be presented
within 1 month from ship's arrival
otherwise they shall not be
recognised.

No fire insurance whatever will
be effected.

O. H. RITTER,
Agent.

Prince's Building, Ground Floor.
Hongkong, 13th January, 1919.

PACIFIC MAIL S.S. CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

From SAN FRANCISCO via
JAPAN PORTS SHANGHAI
& MANILA.

The Steamship
S.S. "WEST INSKIP."

The above mentioned vessel
having arrived from the above
mentioned ports, Consignees of
cargo are hereby informed that
their cargo will be landed at their
risk into the Pacific Mail
Steamship Company's Godowns
at West Point, and stored at
Consignees' risk.

Consignees of cargo are hereby
notified that they must produce
an Import Permit signed by the
Superintendent of the Imports &
Exports, Hongkong, before Bills
of Lading can be countersigned.

All broken, chafed and damaged
goods are to be left in the
godowns, where they will be
examined on January 14th, at
10 a.m., and January 15th at
10 a.m.

All claims must be presented
within a week of the steamer's
arrival here, after which they
cannot be recognised.

No claim will be admitted after
the goods have left the godowns,
and all goods remaining unde-
livered after January 16th, will
be subject to rent.

No fire insurance whatever will
be effected.

Consignees are requested to
send in their Bills of Lading for
countersignature immediately.

PACIFIC MAIL S.S. CO.,
As Operators, U.S. Shipping
Board.

Hongkong, 8th January, 1920.

SHIPBUILDERS.
SHIP REPAIRERS.
BOILER MAKERS.
FORGE MASTERS.
OXY-ACETYLENE AND
ELECTRIC WELDERS.
MECHANICAL AND
ELECTRICAL
ENGINEERS.

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OF HONGKONG, LIMITED

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LENGTH ON BLOCKS 750 FEET

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SILL (H.W.O.S.) 34 FT. 6 INS.

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BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, AGENTS.

HONGKONG, CHINA & JAPAN.

CONSIGNEES.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

From EUROPE and STRAITS

THE Company's Steamship

"IYO MARU."

having arrived from the above
ports, Consignees of Cargo are
hereby informed that their Goods
are being landed and placed at
their risk in the Hongkong and
Kowloon Wharf and Godown
Company's Godowns at Kowloon,
where each consignment will be
sorted out mark by mark and de-
livery can be obtained as soon
as the Goods are landed.

Optional Goods will be carried
on unless instructions are given to
the contrary before Noon to-day.
Goods not cleared by the 20th
January, 1919, will be subject to
rent.

Damaged packages must be
left in the Godowns for examina-
tion by the Consignee's and the
Co's representatives at an ap-
pointed hour on Tuesday &
Friday. All claims must be pre-
sented within ten days of the
steamer's arrival here, after
which date they cannot be re-
cognized. No claims will be ad-
mitted after the goods have left
the Godowns.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA,
Agents.

Hongkong, 18th December, 1919.

TIDE TABLE.

12th to 18th January, 1920.

Day of Week	High Water Mean Time	Low Water Mean Time	Day of Week	High Water Mean Time	Low Water Mean Time
Mon. 12	1 55	5 55	Mon. 15	1 55	5 55
Tues. 13	2 53	6 53	Tues. 16	2 53	6 53
Wed. 14	3 49	7 49	Wed. 17	3 49	7 49
Thur. 15	4 44	8 44	Thur. 18	4 44	8 44
Fri. 16	5 38	9 38	Fri. 19	5 38	9 38
Sat. 17	6 30	10 30	Sat. 20	6 30	10 30
Sun. 18	7 20	11 20	Sun. 21	7 20	11 20

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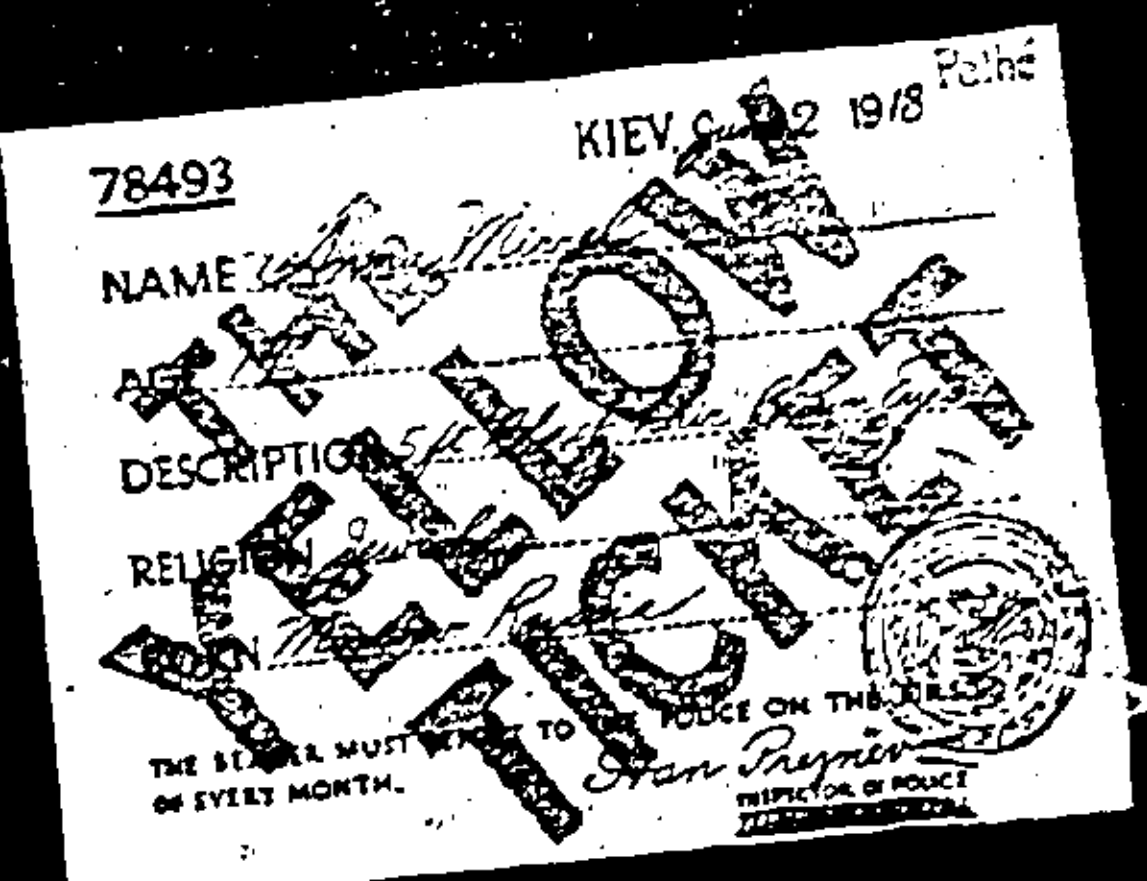
VICTORIA THEATRE

COMMENCING FRIDAY,
16th Jan., 1920.

FANNIE WARD

IN

Beware of the Girl with



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We expect shortly
shipments of the following
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**Sunbeam, Austin, Nash,
Hear, Hupmobile, Ford.**

**A.J.S., Triumph, Royal Enfield,
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We shall be pleased to supply
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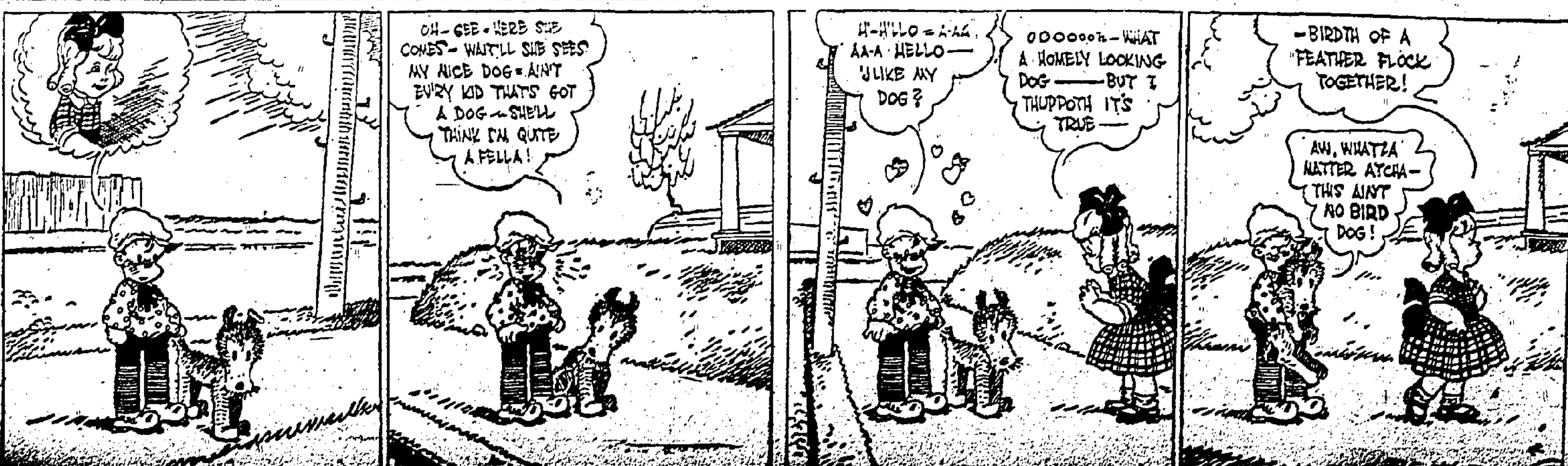
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25, Des Voeux Road Central.
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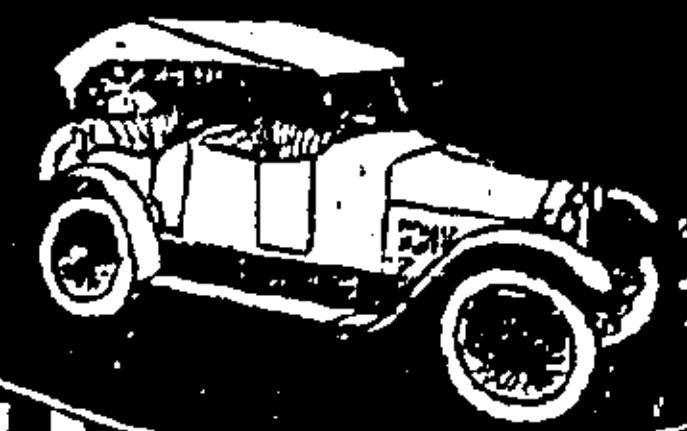
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QUALITY

Promptness Moderate Price
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the above three essentials and we
are constantly watching for improve-
ment in order to keep up good
services to our Patrons.
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T.O-DAY'S PICTURES.



HAZEL YUPP



ALICE LOUISE SECKER



MARY O'BRIEN

The three girls shown above are winners in a New York beauty contest conducted by the *Illustrated Daily News*. The judges were D. W. Griffith, famous motion picture producer; Harrison Fisher, artist; and George M. Cohan, playwright and producer. They awarded first prize, \$10,000, to Miss Alice Louise Secker, a factory worker. She is 23 years old. Miss Hazel Yupp, 21, a manicurist, won second prize, \$2,500. And Miss Mary O'Brien, 21, a salesgirl, was third. She was awarded \$1,000.



This war painting, entitled "Homage to France," has been presented to the French Government by the American Red Cross. The painting was exhibited in the Luxembourg Museum in Paris and was presented to France through President Poincaré.

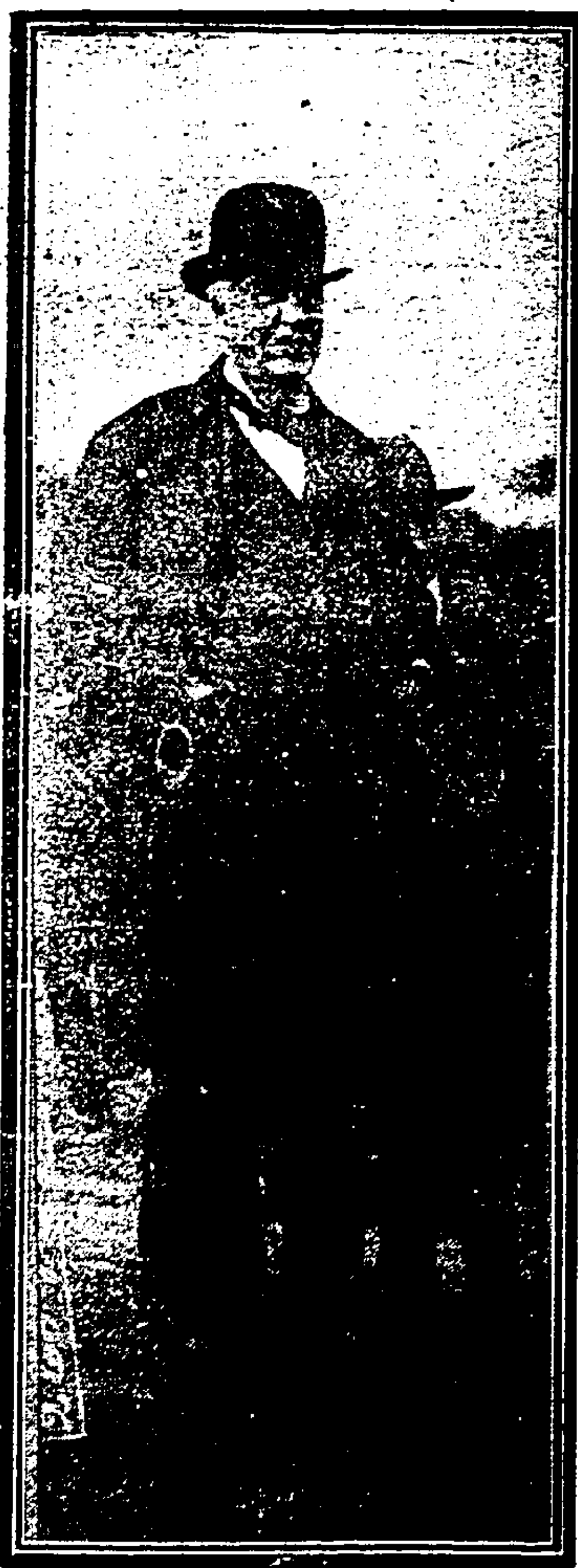
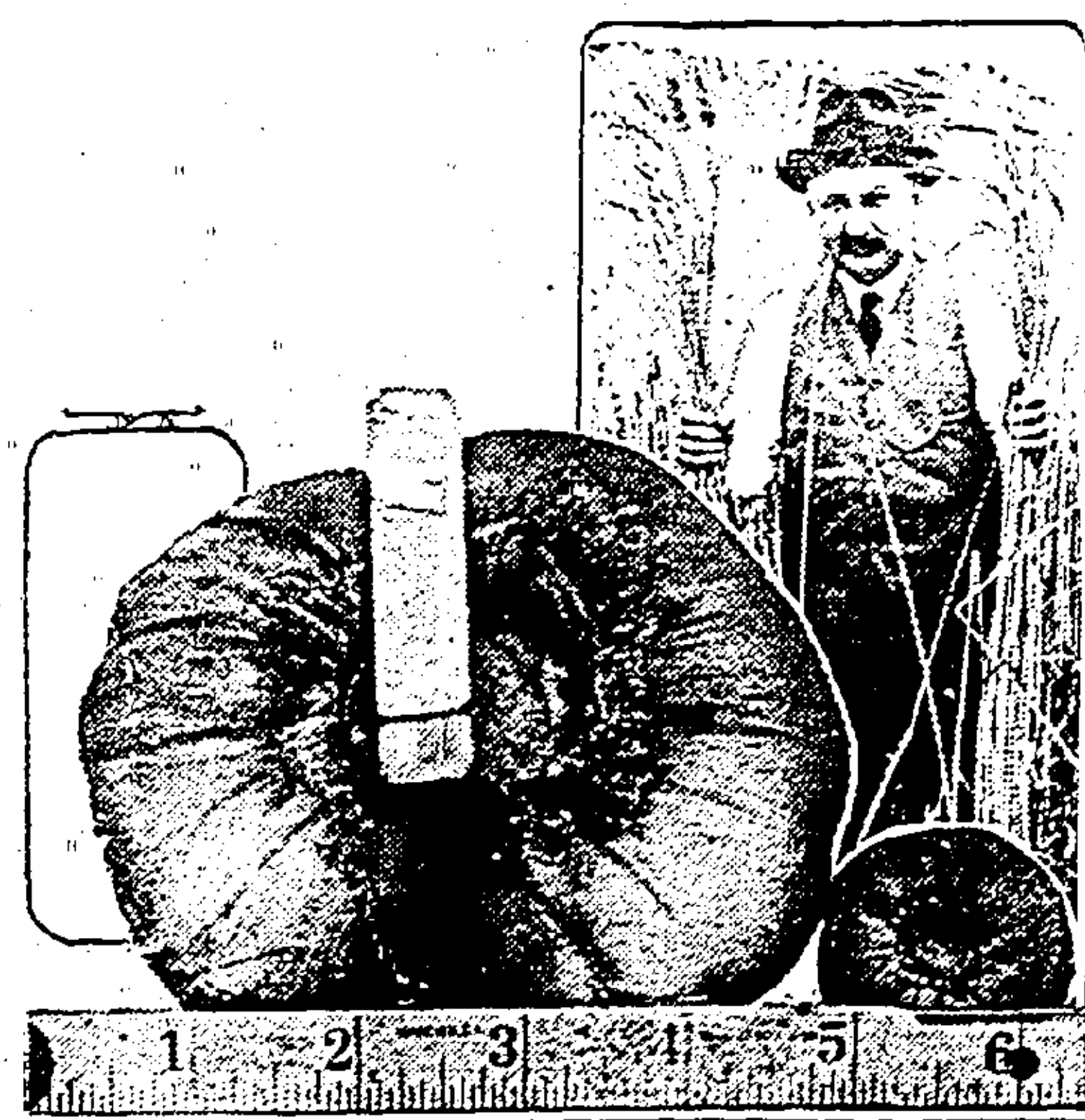


Photo: Underwood.

Latest photo of Mr. Thomas A. Edison.



Above is seen Mr. Richard Diener holding stalks of his gigantic "super-wheat." Below is a huge petunia-bulb developed by Mr. Diener within 2½ generations, from bulb the size of the smaller one at the right.

DOINGS OF THE DUFFS

Tom's All Out of Luck.

BY ALLMAN.



NOTICES.



"FELUCCA 33"

"THE CIGARETTE OF DISTINCTION."



There is an instantly
recognisable flavour to
"FELUCCA"
which distinguishes it
from other Egyptian
CIGARETTES.

This Advertisement is issued by British American Tobacco Co. (China) Ltd.

SHIPPING.

VESSELS ARRIVED.

The U. S. Shipping Board steamer **DEVOLANTE**, from Tarakan, brought 5,000 tons of crude oil for Messrs. the Asiatic Petroleum Company. A through cargo of another 5,000 tons is also carried by the same steamer. From Manila the Douglas chartered vessel **QUINNEBAUG**, consigned 1,200 tons of general cargo yesterday. Mooring, Wharf.

Rice to the amount of 2,500 tons was brought into Hongkong from Haiphong by the **SHIN-FOO**. Her agents are Messrs. Nemazee & Co.—Mooring, B 9.

Two hundred tons of general merchandise were carried from Kwangchow by the **WING HANG**, which came in yesterday. Mooring, at Yaumatei.

The China Merchants steamer **TUNGWAH**, transported from Canton 200 tons of general merchandise. She arrived yesterday. Mooring, No. 38.

The French steamer **TATOUSE**, consigned 950 tons rice and general cargo from Saigon. Mooring, C 17.

The Norwegian vessel **PRO-DUCE**, came in from CANTON, for Ballast. Mooring, C 43.

The O.S.K. steamer **BORNEO MARU**, arrived to-day from Kobe and Shanghai with 5,320 tons of through and 211 tons locally consigned cargo. Mooring, B 26.

The British steamer **YUN-NAN**, which came from Hongkong brought 2,335 tons of coal consigned to Messrs. Butterfield and Swire. Mooring, A 28.

General merchandise to the extent of 2,500 tons was delivered by the **CHUSAN** which arrived from Bangkok. Mooring, No. 38. The steamer **KAIPOK**, which ran aground in the Gulf of Tonkin, was towed in by the tug **Tai-koo** this morning. She reported very rough weather.

From Shanghai and Amoy, the B. & S. boat **ICHANG**, brought 300 tons of local and 500 tons of through cargo. She carried 1,670 tons of coal in transit. Mooring, Taikoo Sugar Wharf.

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HONGKONG.

METEOROLOGICAL.

Previous.	Day On date On date	at a.m. at 6 a.m. at 9 a.m.
Barometer	30.17	30.20 30.18
Temperature	57	50 60
Humidity	46	60 43
Wind Direction	E. N.E.	E.
" Force	4	1 2
Weather	b	b
Rain	0.00	0.00 0.00
Highest open air temperature on the day	14.5	57
Lowest	15.4	49
H.K. Observatory, Jan. 15 1920		
T. F. CLAXTON Director.		

From Nagoya and Mito, the M.B.K. boat **DAISHIN MARU** No. 3, consigned 1,217 tons of coal for Hongkong. She carries 1,670 tons of coal in transit. Mooring, Taikoo Sugar Wharf.

UNCLAIMED TELEGRAMS.

THE GREAT NORTHERN TELEGRAPH COMPANY, LTD.

The following Unclaimed Telegrams are lying here:—
Sienghin, Des Voens Road Central, from Amoy.
Major Villiers Coupon, retransmitted from Yokohama, from Victoria B. C.
Katojuichi Captain, Burongan Maru, via H.K. from Tokohashi.
Yuenyuehang, from Shanghai.
Tawawchien, from Amoy.
Choycheungkuk Steward of Steamer Chinon c/o Yeechan Store, from Amoy.

T. KRING,
Superintendent,
Hongkong, Jan. 9, 1920.

TO-DAY'S SHARE QUOTATIONS.

OFFICIAL PRICES.

Banks.	
H.K. & S. Banks' n.	\$600
Marine Insurances.	
Cantons b.	390
North Chinas n.	t. 160
Unions n.	180
Yangtzes n.	260
Far Easterns n.	t. 22
Fire Insurances.	
China Fires n.	138
H. K. Fires s.	310
Shipping.	
Douglases n.	90
Steamboats b.	21 1/2
Indos (Pref.) n.	20
Indos (Def.) n.	210
Shells s.	240/- ex div.
Ferries s.	30
Refineries.	
Sugars n.	212
Malabons b.	47
Mining.	
Kailans n.	115/-
Langkats n.	t. 15 1/2
Shanghai Loans n.	t. 15 1/2
Shai Explorations n.	2
Raubus s.	42/6
Tronohs n.	40/-
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Hongkong, Jan. 15, 1920.

WEATHER REPORT.

January 15d. 12h 10m.—No sun from Vladivostok, Japan or Indo-China. Pressure changes are everywhere slight, the anticyclone from this stationary.

Fresh monsoon will prevail along the China coast and over the N. China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.0 inch. Total since January 1st, 0.09 inches against an average of 0.41 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW.

District. Forecast

1 Hongkong to Gap Rock, N.E. winds, fresh; fine.

2 Formosa Channel, N.E. winds, strong.

3 South coast of China (b.) The same between H.K. and Lamock as No. 1.

4 South coast of China (b.) The same between H.K. and Hainan as No. 1.

T. F. CLAXTON, Director.
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